

WSPAPERS

Carry Messages and Divine.

Power to Do Good—With Talents and Gifts—As Related to the Gospel.

Talmage took the following: "Then I turned, and my eyes, and looked, and my roll."—(Zachariah v, 1).

from the prophet saw a man advancing toward me, containing a divine message, swiftly, as on wings, to do with the destiny of you will look up to my flying rolls. They come from the flying rolls of the newspapers. They are human and divine. They decide the destiny of the world.

in the United States about 1,000,000 copies of the daily press are printed. I am the editor of the New York Herald Tribune, which I have been editing for 25 years. In this brief time it has reached a circulation of about 200,000 copies.

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the death of an old minister of the Gospel whom we can not spare, in the next put the name of some young man who can wear the mantle of Elijah. If some of the society is depicted in one column, in the next show the Gospel machinery that is to drive it back into the perdition from which it ascended. More and more sunshine let there be in religious journalism. Publish in it more sermons on texts like "O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good," and fewer on texts like "Out of depths have I cried unto Thee, O Lord." If any one has anything gloomy to say, let him say it to himself. If he must write it, let him send it to editorial rooms, but put it in the pigeon-hole of his own desk for his heirs, and assign or read it further on, for he probably can stand it better than we. I gave \$7 to hear Jenny Lind sing. I never will give a cent to hear a man grow. Up with the blinds and throw back the shutters, and let the morning light come in. There is not so much religion in the dampness of a cellar as in the breath of an apple orchard in blossom week. What a victory David got over himself when he closed the Psalm with six chapters of "Praise ye the Lord," saying it to the Lord, it would have become monotonous. If in our diaries, and our family records, and our religious newspapers we would write two honest catalogues, the one a catalogue of blessings and the other a catalogue of sins, the former would be five times larger than the latter.

Pray for the religious papers of America, because of the fact that if they have the right spirit each one does as much good as five, or fifty or two hundred churches. What are the 500 or 600 people making up a Sabbath audience compared with the 10,000, or 50,000 or 100,000 of the religious journal addresses? Such journals are pulpits that preach day and night. They reach weekly those who, through indifference, or through indolence, never enter churches. They reach people in their quietude, when their attention is not distracted, as in church, by the fine millinery that appeals to the eye, or the rustle of attire that attracts the ear. It is always on our day, and our privilege not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together, but I believe the consecrated printing press is the chief agency under God to save the world.

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Miss Ida Billups, John H. and U. G. McClure attended church at Garred Chapel Sunday.

John Dobbins has moved back to his old home at Gallip, having moved to Nats creek three years ago.

J. W. Preston and James Milam, deputy sheriffs, passed through here this week collecting, or trying to collect taxes.

Harvey Shannon, late of Missouri, has returned to his brothers, Jas Shannon, from a visit to relative in Wayne county, W. Va.

Miss Jock Carey is home from Jackson on a visit. Will return in a few days to take charge of her school.

There is a protracted meeting in progress at Garred Chapel to at least a week, conducted by Rev. Vest, Reid and Rice, and it is hoped that much good may be done, as they are all very able Ministers.

Misses Patty Shannon and Gerude Carey went rabbit hunting Thanksgiving. They say the dogs caught one, but "Georgy," the big dog, ate it up before they got there; at least they say she was licking her mouth when they got to them.

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